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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.56, the attention of the Patent and Trademark Office is hereby directed to the references listed on the attached PTO-1449. It is respectfully requested that the information be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and that the references be made of record therein and appear among the "References Cited" on any patent to issue therefrom. Applicants respectfully request the Examiner return an initialed copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 to Applicants with the next Office communication to indicate that the references have been considered, per MPEP § 609.

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The references were cited in a counterpart foreign application. An English language version of the foreign search report is attached for the Examiner's information.

PCT WO99/42904, also cited in the European Search Report, was already cited for consideration by the Examiner on December 23, 2003.

The undersigned respectfully notes that copies of U.S. references are not required in applications filed after June 30, 2003.

Respectfully Submitted,

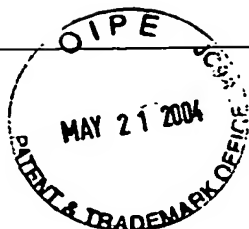
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